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SUBJECT: MILITARY COMMISSARY FOR TEHRAN

REF: CINCUSAREUR 271600Z

1. EMBASSY SUPPORTS WITHOUT RESERVATION THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MILITARY COMMISSARY ON DECEMBER 15.

2. FOOD AND HOUSEHOLD STOCKS ON HAND AND IN TRANSIT WILL SATISFY NEEDS OF OFFICIAL COMMUNITY--INCLUDING TAFT TEAMS IN OUTLYING AREAS--UNTIL MID-DECEMBER. HOWEVER SHOULD SHORTAGE OF ESSENTIAL RPT ESSENTIAL COMMODITIES DEVELOP, WE REQUEST AUTHORITY TO PROCURE THESE ITEMS FROM ATHENS OR ADANA COMMISSARIES AND HAVE SHIPPED IN VIA VAC. PLEASE CONFIRM.

3. VALUE AND SELECTION OF FREEZER/CHILL AND OTHER EQUIPMENT HAS NOT BEEN DISCUSSED WITH PREVIOUS SURVEY TEAMS. CONSEQUENTLY, WE ARE UNABLE TO COMMENT ON VALIDITY OF \$35,000 FIGURE QUOTED IN REFTEL. VALUE OF CO-OP INVENTORY ON HAND DECEMBER 15 EXPECTED TO BE FAR LESS THAN \$600,000 FIGURE QUOTED REFTEL. EMBASSY ASSUMES COST OF MODIFYING

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STORE AND WAREHOUSE TO SEGREGATE COMMISSARY FROM THOSE

OPERATIONS REMAINING UNDER CO-OP MANAGEMENT (PX, BEVERAGES, OFFICE) WILL BE FUNDED BY MILITARY COMMISSARY. ANTICIPATE THESE COSTS WILL BE NOMINAL TO ACCOMPLISH FOLLOWING:

A. CONSTRUCTION OF FLOOR TO CEILING PARTITION IN BOTH STORE AND WAREHOUSE.

B. CONSTRUCTION SMALL LOADING DOCK AND ENTRANCE AT REAR WAREHOUSE PLUS SEPARATE STORE ENTRANCE FOR CO-OP (PRESENT LOADING DOCKS AND ENTRANCES WILL BE TURNED OVER TO COMMISSARY.

C. CONSTRUCTION OF OFFICE/DISTRIBUTION AREA FOR USE BY COMMISSARY FIELD ISSUE UNIT.

4. EMBASSY MAKING PRESENT FACILITY AVAILABLE FOR MILITARY COMMISSARY WITH UNDERSTANDING THAT IT WILL EVENTUALLY BE RELOCATED TO SUITABLE AREA NORTHEAST SECTOR OF CITY.

5. EMBASSY IS SEEKING GOI APPROVAL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF MILITARY COMMISSARY TEHRAN AT MEETING WITH FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIALS SCHEDULED THIS WEEK.

6. EMBASSY LOOKING FORWARD TO AN EARLY ARRIVAL OF USAREUR REPRESENTATIVES TO WORK OUT DETAILED ARRANGEMENTS. HECK

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